

PROF. W. H. DAY MEMORIAL TO BE UNVEILED SUNDAY

As a part of its programme the Tourist and Industrial Committee of Simcoe County Council provides for one bronze plaque each year to be placed on a memorial cairn erected to the memory of a citizen who has made notable contribution to a Simcoe County community and to their country. Several of these memorials have been erected in the northern part of Simcoe County and two years ago one came to South Simcoe to be placed upon the cairn erected at the Banting District High School at Alliston in memory of the late Sir Frederick Grant Banting, M.D., F.R.S., L.L.D., co-discoverer of insulin. The name of Professor W. H. Day was placed before the county committee at about that time and was given its approval in recognition of his contribution toward the reclamation of the Holland Marsh and early development of the Holland Marsh gardens.

Last year the cairn was built and the bronze plaque was received and placed upon it, but the work was completed late in the fall and the weather being unsuited to an outdoor ceremony the unveiling was postponed.

A few weeks ago the councils representing the municipalities in which marsh garden land is located, under the first drainage scheme, namely, the townships of West Gwillimbury and King and the village of Bradford, set the date for the unveiling of this memorial for Sunday afternoon next, May 27, at 2 p.m.

The guest speakers for the occasion will be from the department of the government and from the college with which Professor Day was closely associated, namely, the Ontario Department of Agriculture and the Ontario Agricultural College: C. D. Graham, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, is to represent the Department and R. C. Moffat, who was on the staff of the O.A.C. with Professor Day, will represent that College. Greetings will be extended by the chairman of Simcoe County Tourist and Industrial Committee, by the Wardens of Simcoe and York counties, by the Reeves of Bradford, West Gwillimbury township and King township, and by a representative from the Holland Marsh. The representatives for Simcoe Centre and North York ridings in the Ontario Legislature, George G. Johnstone, M.P.P. and "Lex" MacKenzie, M.P.P., will introduce the speakers.

Representing his late father, Mr. T. W. W. Evans, who was municipal solicitor at the time of the reclamation of the marsh, C. T. S. Evans Q.C., will speak and read a letter from Rev. H. W. Vaughan, D.D. of Brantford, who was the late Professor Day's minister here at the time of his death.

William N. Day of Niagara Falls, elder son of the late Professor Day, will unveil the memorial and among those attending will be Professor Day's two sons, William N. of Niagara Falls, Ont.; Harry A. of Toronto; his daughter Ida (Mrs. R. C. Smith) of Toronto; and his grandson Michael Caughey, son of the former Stella Day (Mrs. Earl Caughey) of St. Andrews, N.B.

Everyone interested is invited to attend this ceremony and join officials from the Ontario government, the county, and the municipalities in honouring the memory of a man whose knowledge and enthusiastic support of the project were largely responsible for the reclamation of the Holland Marsh.